

ZONEWS

Newsletter of the Zonta Club of the St. Cloud Area
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Zonta Board Meeting	NONE
Zonta Business Meeting	NONE
Zonta Program Meeting	NONE
Zonta Holiday Social	Thursday, December 13, 2007
Nancy Fischer's Home (details on last 2 pages of the ZoNews)	
Christmas Day	Tuesday, December 25, 2007
New Years Day	Tuesday, January 1, 2008
Zonta Board Meeting	Thursday, January 3, 2008

(All meetings held at Noon at the Ground Round)

Enclosed in this newsletter:

1. Celebrations
2. Miscellaneous Fundraiser Updates
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8. Program Meeting Minutes 11/15/07
9. Treasurers Report 11/30/07
10. Financial Report 10/31/07
11. **ZONTA Holiday Social**

"He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree."

Roy L. Smith
American Clergyman

CELEBRATIONS

~~~~~ Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year to all of you! ~~~~~

"...May your days be merry and bright; and may all your Christmas's be white."

White Christmas  
Irving Berlin  
American composer, lyricist and songwriter  
(1888 – 1989)

White Christmas trivia from Wikipedia (wikipedia.org)

The song was the title theme for the 1954 musical *White Christmas*, starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen, which was the biggest-grossing film of 1954. Crosby's single of "White Christmas" is recognized as the best-selling single in any music category and Crosby's recording has sold millions of additional copies as part of numerous albums, including his best-selling holiday collection *Merry Christmas*, which was first released as an LP in 1949 and has never been out-of-print since.

"ItsRanked.com" has Crosby's version of "White Christmas" as the number one Christmas song on its Top 40 Christmas Songs of all time ranking.

The Crosby recording is the biggest selling single of all time, as confirmed by the 2008 Guinness Book of Records.

## MISCELLANEOUS FUNDRAISER UPDATES

- As of 11-08-07, \$365 dollars worth of coupon books were sold for Herberger's Community Day Fundraiser.
- As of 10-31-07, the net profit for World Pins sold was \$640

## 2007 ZONTA CHRISTMAS HOUSE WRAP-UP

- Thank you to all Zonta members who participated and helped with the success of Christmas House. A special thank you goes to Susan Voeltz, Lori Rebischke and Joy Remer for the gifts of their time and talent. They were instrumental in coordinating the event from beginning to end. The final numbers are not in yet; however, had great comments that it was "our best house ever." There were lots of new guests that had never been to a Zonta Christmas House before. The party hosted by Sheila Burski and Homestead Traditions was lots of fun and well worth the late night attendance.
- Please take a few moments to e-mail your Zonta Christmas House service hours to Susan Voeltz: [savoeltz@bremer.com](mailto:savoeltz@bremer.com) As of 11/27/07, there were a lot of service hours not accounted for. Carol Barrymore will submit the service hours for all the hostesses.

## LOOKING FOR PROGRAM MEETING SPONSORS

Zonta is looking for members to provide a speaker for several of the program meetings. Please review the list of open topics (or come up with one of your own) and think about who you know that would give a short presentation to our club. As a program sponsor, one lines up the speaker, greets/introduces the speaker at the program meeting, and works with Pat Molitor to cover the speaker's lunch bill. The Program Meeting topics and current sponsors as of the October 29<sup>th</sup> are:

Dec. - Holiday Social – Nancy Fischer

Jan. - Amelia Earhart \_\_\_\_\_ Tara Harl

Feb. - Environment \_\_\_\_\_ (Open)

Mar. - Int'l Women's Day \_\_\_\_\_ (Open)

April - Status of Women - Scholarship Presentations & \_\_\_\_\_ (Open)

May - Installation of President and Board - Stephanie Jussila & All Members

## ANNA MARIE'S FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Anna Marie's is fund raising this fall. First, we have *Coupon Books* with over 700 coupons (over \$6,000 in savings) for the St Cloud area—good for one year. The books sell for \$25 each. Anna Marie's receives \$9-10 of the sale amount. Contact Judi Gay if you want a book.

Judi Gay, Volunteer Services Coordinator for Anna Marie's/CMTFBW

## NOVEMBER 2007 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

There were not enough Board members present at the November Board meeting to make a quorum. No business was discussed nor minutes taken.

## NOVEMBER 2007 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

### ZONTA CLUB OF ST CLOUD AREA

#### Business Meeting

Date – November 8, 2007

Ground Round - 12:00 Noon

**Members Present:** See Attachment

#### **Welcome & Introductions**

- Meeting called to order by President Linda Linn at 12:00 pm.
- Pledge to the Flag followed by the Zonta Blessing
- Pin Penalties

- Lunch selections

### **Consent Agenda Items**

- **Minutes:**  
10/11/07 Minutes printed in ZoNews
- **Treasurer's Report:**  
Treasurers Report of 10/31/07 printed in the ZoNews
- **Finance Report**  
Finance Report of 9/30/07 - the Board will discuss at a later date  
Jean Madsen made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda Items,  
Sister seconded the motion.

### **Correspondence**

1. We received a "Thank you" from Anna Marie's for our gift of monies from our service funds from the Golf Outing and Flower Sale.
2. The request of donation from Clara's House was followed up with a detailed explanation of the requested funds from Carol Belling.

### **Committees**

- **Finance** Mary Nimmerfroh –
  1. The Board recommendation of the proposed budget for 2007 – 2008 needs to be reviewed and approved.
- **Membership:** Stephanie Jussila – Not present
- **Service:**
  1. The presentation of service funds was presented to Journey Home (Carol Belling), Lori R. and Linda Linn presented the gift of a check in the amount of \$1,450.
  2. Herberger's Event is this Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup> - \$365.00 sold to date.
  3. More "Women of the World" pins have been ordered – they will be available for sale at the Christmas House.
  4. Literacy Project "Pen Pal Program" has requested a donation of \$80.00 to cover the costs of postal stamps for students to mail their letters to our participating Zonta members.
  5. Christmas House – More volunteers are needed to fill hostess spots.

### **Business**

- Holiday Social
  - Deb Grant will organize – The social will be hosted by Nancy Fischer 1212 Riverside Dr. SE, St Cloud – December 13<sup>th</sup> – a flyer will be sent out with all the details.

### **Announcements**

- Judi Gay is requesting for our club members to set out a boxes at our places of employment requesting used/old cell phones. The funds collected will go to pet foster care.
- Lori Rebischke requested that we ask our guests that we are inviting to the after Christmas House showing (Friday 16<sup>th</sup>) if they would be

interested in helping out with hosting the event. This will give them an idea what Zonta does to raise funds and what Zonta is about.

**Other**

- o November 15<sup>th</sup> Program Meeting sponsor – Violence Against Women Panel Discussion – Sponsored by Judi Gay

**Next Meetings**

- o Business Meeting – January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 12:00 P.M. – Ground Round
- o No December Business Meeting due to Holiday Social
- o No December Program Meeting due to Holiday Social

Jean Madsen made the motion to adjourn the 11/08/07 Business Meeting at 1:00, Sister seconded the motion, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,

CarolRae Semroska  
Recording Secretary

**NOVEMBER 2007 PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES**

There were no items of business to address at the November Program meeting, therefore, no minutes were taken.

**ZONTA CLUB 11/30/07 TREASURERS REPORT**

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Balance on hand 10-31-07                      **\$10,591.02**

**RECEIPTS**

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Interest for Nov             | 3.09              |
| Raffle-Int Travel Fund       | 11.00             |
| Pin Penalty                  | 4.00              |
| Pins Sold                    | 390.00            |
| Herbergers Coupon Books Sold | 375.00            |
| C. Moline-Xmas Donation      | 25.00             |
| Xmas House Sponsors          | 351.00            |
| Xmas House Ticket Sales      | <u>7284.68</u>    |
|                              | <b>\$8,443.77</b> |

**DISBURSEMENTS**

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| SC Floral-New Member Roses | 8.56  |
| Pen Pal Program-Donation   | 80.00 |

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Postmaster-Annual Rent        | 92.00             |
| D Grant-Pins Purchased        | 660.00            |
| S Jussila-Membership Expense  | 187.32            |
| Ground Round-Guest Lunch      | 3.69              |
| Xmas House-Start Up Cash      | 100.00            |
| Lori Rebischke-Xmas House Exp | 322.21            |
| N Fischer-Postcard Mailing    | 648.79            |
| D Grant-Xmas House Exp        | 20.00             |
| J Remer-Xmas House Exp        | 20.00             |
| M Nunes-Xmas House Exp        | 28.85             |
| S Voeltz-Xmas House Exp       | 48.60             |
| S Jussila-Xmas House Exp      | 9.61              |
| Xmas House Homeowner Gift     | <u>100.00</u>     |
|                               | <b>\$2,329.63</b> |

Balance on hand 11-30-07 **\$16,705.16**

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| <b>ZONTA CLUB 10/31/07 FINANCE REPORT</b> |
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**MEMORANDUM**

Date: 11/24/2007

To: Members, Zonta Club of St. Cloud

From: Finance Committee

SUBJ: Club Finances as of 10/31/07

1. The following breakout of the club's finances has been prepared in accordance with the Treasurer's report for the period ending 10/31/07.

| <b><i>Operating Fund</i></b>                |                   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b><i>Designated Funds:</i></b>             |                   |
| International Convention Fund               | \$2,399.26        |
| Supplies/Postage/Post Office Box            | \$340.28          |
| Website/ZoNews<br>(copies/supplies/postage) | -0-               |
| Membership Committee                        | \$368.82          |
| District & International Dues Pending       | -0-               |
| <i>Total</i>                                | <b>\$3,108.36</b> |
| <b><i>Undesignated Funds:</i></b>           |                   |
|                                             | <b>\$2,620.54</b> |

|                             |                   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Total</i>                | <b>\$5,728.90</b> |
| <b><i>Service Funds</i></b> |                   |
| Christmas House             | \$1,315.81        |
| Flower Sale                 | -0-               |
| Golf Outing                 | -0-               |
| International Fund          | \$1,085.00        |
| Memorial Fund               | \$50.00           |
| Miscellaneous               | \$681.31          |
| Scholarships                | \$1,730.00        |
| <i>Total</i>                | <b>\$4,862.12</b> |

2. Comments: A proposed budget for FY 07-08 has been prepared for the board's approval. Web hosting expenses haven't been submitted yet (\$119.40). Traditionally we have placed \$500 into the International Convention Fund, and that is reflected in the large undesignated balance. Please advise if you want that to occur. The income from the World Pins is in Operating. Profits from the first and second batch of pins amounted to \$640.00.

Susan A. Voeltz  
**SUSAN A. VOELTZ**



***Zonta Holiday Social***

***December 13, 2007***

***4:00 -7:00 PM***

***at the home of Nancy Fischer  
1212 Riverside Drive SE  
St. Cloud, MN  
252-7710***

***Please bring a snack to share – beverages will be  
provided***

***As we join together to celebrate the holidays, we  
want to try to make the holidays a little brighter for  
those in need and help fill their Christmas stockings.  
Please bring your donation for Anna Marie's and  
Journey Home. Wish lists are included.***

## **Anna Marie's Shelter Wish List**

### General Needs

Store Gift Certificates  
Children's sleepwear  
Hair care products  
Towel/bath mats  
Slippers (all sizes)  
Combs/brushes  
Toiletries, body wash  
Baby products  
Women's socks  
Children's sox  
Women's sleepwear  
Cleaning supplies  
Paper products  
Hats, mittens, scarves  
Twin sheets & blankets

### Toys

Barbie Dolls and clothing  
Educational games  
24-pc puzzles  
Activity Books  
Diverse Baby dolls  
Child appropriate movies  
Craft Kits

### For Teens

Hand held games  
Hand held CD players  
Board games  
Radio alarm clocks  
Bath & body lotions  
Arts & crafts  
Jewelry, watches  
Hair accessories  
Socks, underwear, boxer shorts

## **Journey Home Wish List**

Phone cards  
Postage stamps  
Gift cards – Wal-mart, Target  
Movie tickets  
Stationery  
Journals  
Towel sets  
Kitchen dishes  
Kitchen linens  
Pots and pans  
Bedding: twin/dble, sheets, comforters, pillows  
Clock radios  
Body lotion, shower gel, bubble bath  
Slippers, Pajamas, bathrobes  
Mittens